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For: DRIVING METHOD OF A FLAT TYPE
PLASMA DISCHARGE DISPLAY DEVICE
(AS AMENDED)

COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

The Examiner included a statement of reasons for allowance with the allowing papers of July 6, 2004 in which certain features were distinguished as not shown from the prior art. To the limited extent that the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance states, implies or is construed to mean that the claims are allowable over the prior art because the claims should be interpreted to include one or more features or limitations recited therein, Applicant notes that there is no particular limitation in the allowed combination claims that is more critical than any other. The issuance of the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be construed as surrender by Applicant of any subject matter. It is the intent of Applicant, through

Its attorney, to construe the allowed claims so as to cover the invention disclosed in the present application and all equivalents to which the claimed invention is entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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